

## ALASKA SHAKEN BY MANY GOVERNMENT SCANDALS

Delegation of Citizens Here to Prefer Grave Charges Against Federal Officials in Frozen Northland.

United States Marshal and Some of His Deputies Accused of Incompetency and Packing Juries.

A delegation of representative citizens of Alaska, headed by a former well-known Washingtonian, Dr. Cabell Whitehead, has arrived in the city to ask the Government to make radical changes in the personnel of Government officials in that far off country.

All are unanimous in preferring grave charges against the United States marshal and some of his deputies, whom they charge with incompetency and packing juries.

The delegation has in its possession certain affidavits from employees of the accused Government officials, which are serious. These papers were filed with the Attorney General this morning and reflect on the parties implicated, chief among them being United States Marshal Richards, of the Nome district, who has already been convicted before the United States court of contempt of court. The delegation demands his immediate removal.

### Well-Known Bankers.

Dr. Cabell Whitehead, now manager of the Alaska Banking and Safe Deposit Company, of Nome, Alaska, is a guest at the Riggs House. His institution is the largest of its kind in Alaska, and is composed largely of Washington capital. Myron M. Parker, of this city, is president, and Charles J. Bell, president of the American Security and Trust Company, vice president.

When asked by a reporter of The Times this morning as to Alaska and its future prospects, Dr. Whitehead said:

"While the development of Alaska has not been as rapid as our impatient friends might wish, when you consider the natural difficulties in the way of distance from the base of supplies, the frozen condition of most of the gravel to be mined, and the almost insurmountable difficulties to be overcome in the matter of transportation during the summer season, I think it will be admitted that we are doing quite well.

### Troubles Not at an End.

"During the past two years we have been building railroads and ditches and opening up claims not in litigation. The judicial scandals at Nome delayed the development of the country fully five years. It seemed that with the removal of Judge Noyes and Joseph K. Woods, United States district attorney, our troubles were at an end.

"Unfortunately this has not proven to be the case. Frank H. Richards, the present marshal, received his appointment at the hands of the same clique that dictated the appointments of Noyes and Woods, and has proven himself an official of the same sort. During the past winter at Nome the tampering with juries by the marshal's office became a public scandal, which terminated in the acquittal of Wright, the postmaster at Nome, who admitted to Major Clum, the postoffice inspector, that he was a defaulter to the amount of about \$5,000.

### U. S. Marshal Convicted.

"When Wright was acquitted Judge Wickersham informed the acting United States district attorney, John McGinn, that if he knew of any tampering with the jury and would make sworn information to that effect he would order the arrest of the parties implicated. McGinn did so and Marshal Richards and one Joseph Jordan, a saloon keeper of Nome, were arrested and convicted. Both were fined \$500 each for contempt of court. This was in June, 1902.

"A certified copy of the record in this case was at once forwarded to the Department of Justice. Jordan paid his fine, and Marshal Richards, after vainly attempting to get his case reopened by the Hon. Alfred Moore, in the meantime appointed to succeed Judge Arthur H. Noyes, in the Second district, appealed to the circuit court of appeals at San Francisco. When this case was argued before Judge Moore Colonel Grigsby, the newly appointed United States attorney, who had arrived at Nome just previous to this time, appeared before Judge Moore and argued in behalf of reopening the case, saying that he was in receipt of a telegram from the Department of Justice instructing him to investigate the case and to have it reopened if he thought proper.

"Colonel Grigsby objected to Mr. McGinn making a statement to Judge Moore in behalf of Judge Wickersham, and denied the authority of Mr. McGinn to speak for the Government as he, alone, had that authority.

### Relief in Appeal.

"Judge Moore insisted that McGinn should be heard, if for no other reason than that Judge Wickersham was not present to defend himself. Judge Moore ruled that he had no authority to reopen the case, and that relief lay in appeal, so that the condemned marshal had to be satisfied with an appeal.

"Just before leaving Nome, Colonel Grigsby, who has now spent four months of his life in Alaska, and never been five miles from Nome, induced the city council of Nome, in which Joseph Jordan is a moving spirit to make him a delegate to represent the Nome district before Congress this winter. In its appeal for a territorial form of government and a delegate to Congress.

"It is fair to presume that Colonel Grigsby thinks he will make an excel-

lent representative himself. When not engaged in his duties at the capital, he and his friends are laboring strenuously with the Department of Justice in an effort to convince the department that his friend Richards' conviction was due to prejudice originating in an old political quarrel in Washington in which State Richards and Wickersham formerly resided.

### Marshal Richards' Conduct.

"I have with me a letter in the case which also throws a strong light on another phase of Mr. Richards' conduct as a Government official."

Here Dr. Whitehead exhibited a letter from Judge Richards, asking the latter to amend an expense account, which he pointed out was excessive and incorrect. In it Richards charged the Government \$7 a day for board at a hotel where Wickersham paid \$15 a week.

"What is your opinion of a territorial form of Government," was asked Dr. Whitehead.

"Well, while we have 61,000 inhabitants, they are scattered over a wide area, and I doubt if a Delegate selected by popular vote would be a satisfactory means of representing the Territory. Speaking for myself, I do not favor the Delegate idea, though I would not oppose it.

"My preference, for the present at least, would be a Government similar to that of the District of Columbia, composed of three commissioners appointed by the President, one Democrat, one Republican, and one a United States Army officer; a commission to be stationed in each judicial district. They should have frequent meetings in the various districts, and recommend to Congress such legislation as a residence in Alaska, and experience should dictate.

### Need of a Fatherly Interest.

"Later on, the district could be divided into territories—probably three. But that is a matter for the future and can rest quietly if the Government will take a fatherly interest in us and provide us with honest and conscientious officials. The work done in the past year by Capt. D. H. Jarvis, who was appointed collector of customs for the district of Alaska by President Roosevelt less than one year ago, is a striking example of what an honest and intelligent official can accomplish in a short time.

"The administration of customs in Alaska has for a number of years been conducted in such a manner as to embarrass both the shipping interests and the Treasury Department as well. As a means of settling this difficulty Captain Jarvis was taken from the United States revenue cutter service and appointed to the position of collector. This appointment came to him without solicitation, and was made purely on account of his fitness.

"His administration of the office has been a credit to himself and also to President Roosevelt, who selected him. When the same care is exercised in the selection of all of our officials in Alaska there will be no more Nome scandals and we will be able to get along without a delegate for some years to come."

## MORE MINERS WORKING, BUT COAL OUTPUT SHORT

Week's Production 300,000 Tons Under Normal.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 29.—There was much improvement in the condition at the anthracite mines this morning. There are, however, many idle mine workers who are likely to stay idle until after New Year.

It is estimated that they will mine today about 26,000 tons. The normal production is 250,000 tons. Superintendents this morning report that the production of coal this week will fall about 300,000 tons short of the normal, and that all the men will not be working steadily until next week.

New Year Day will not be generally celebrated as a holiday by the mine workers. An effort is to be made to have all the miners work on that day.

Demands for coal continue to come from all quarters, and particularly from New England, where there is much distress, and where this week it is expected that many of the mills will have to shut down. These have been running on a daily supply of coal, and owing to the shortage have been unable to accumulate any stock.

As but one day's supply was mined the last three days of last week, the mills will not get the first part of this supply, which should be delivered today and tomorrow.

From the West there also come reports of much distress. The county buildings at Cleveland have shut down, and mills are idle. From Michigan, Wisconsin, and the northwestern States, where the anthracite is used for domestic purposes, the reports are that much distress is being caused by the lack of it.

### CLAIMS SUCCESS OF

### AN AERIAL TORPEDO

UTICA, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Prof. Carl Myers, of Frankfurt, believes he has perfected an airship which eclipses all previous inventions. He styles his ship an "electrical aerial torpedo." Prof. Myers has been in New York exhibiting a working model of his air cruiser, which it is alleged, has run 700 miles.

It is driven by two aluminum screen blades, making 2,000 revolutions per minute and rotated by an electric motor which obtains its power from a current of 110 volts. The movements are directed by two aeroplanes acting as rudders, moving the vessel up, down, right, or left, in circles, in mid-air. All these evolutions are under control of an operator who moves an index over contact points on a dial switch board, to which the vessel instantly responds.

## SENATOR HAWLEY NOT TO TENDER RESIGNATION

Expects to Resume Duties After the Holidays.

The rumor that Senator Hawley is soon to resign his seat in the Senate has again been revived. It comes from Connecticut, and is said to be inspired by a half dozen or more politicians who are anxious to succeed him and prefer not to be obliged to wait until his term expires in March, 1905. Senator Hawley is at his home in this city, and the statement was made there this morning that he is improving in health and that he expects to leave the house in a short time and attend the sessions of the Senate after the holiday recess. For the past ten days or two weeks he has been suffering from a cold and under the advice of his physicians he has remained at home.

At the beginning of the present session of Congress Senator Hawley wrote to Senator Proctor, the second member of the Committee on Military Affairs, of which Senator Hawley is chairman, and asked him to act as chairman until such time as he should be able to be present. This, in a measure, gave cause for the impression that Senator Hawley would never again resume his duties as Senator.

Senator Hawley's friends emphatically declare that he has no intention of resigning, and reports to the contrary emanate from Connecticut politicians who are seeking his seat in the Senate. Among those who aspire to the Senate is Senator Hawley's successor as Gov. George P. McLean, ex-Governor Bulkeley, and Samuel Fessenden.

Senator Platt's term expires on March 4, next, but he is assured of re-election without opposition.

## LONDON CABBY WITH AN AMERICAN SPIRIT

Helped Lost Girls to Home and Luncheon.

Miss Nellie MacNulty has returned from London to her home in this city, where she will remain. Three years ago Miss MacNulty left Washington to join the Alice Nielsen Company, and when that organization went to London she accompanied it, having a small part in "The Fortune Teller." The company was entirely American, and after a rough voyage across the pond it was a sorry looking crowd of homesick people which gazed at London for the first time.

Miss MacNulty, with three of her associates, engaged rooms, and having no rehearsal they decided to go on a little inspection tour of the city. They plodded about in the drizzling rain for several hours and finally realized that it was luncheon time; also, to their amazement, that they had forgotten their way home. Miss MacNulty had thoughtfully

## GERMANY INVESTIGATING WURTEMBERG TRUSTS

British Consul Writes of Strange Trade Conditions.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—In his annual report on the trade of Wurtemberg, Frederick Rose, the British consul there, remarks that trusts have increased to such a degree and extent and have become so far-reaching that the imperial government has decided to institute an investigation into their formation, organization and effects on trade. The results will be made known in a special official publication which is eagerly expected by the interested parties on both sides.

In some cases exaggerated demands by some trusts led to the formation of opposition trusts. The formation of these is fraught with a certain element of danger as they undergo the risk of being undersold by the older and more experienced organizations.

Meanwhile the principal German trusts are taking steps to form a combination of all the trusts in the empire, which for the present will be affiliated with an association of German manufacturers. The first step taken by the new organization will probably be to use its influence to prevent any state legislation which may be deemed inimical to its interests.

### ARRESTED RUSSIANS HAD

LETTER OF CREDIT FOR £5,000

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Two Russians were arrested yesterday at Charing Cross Railway station, just as they were about to take a train for Paris. They were arraigned in Bow Street police court this morning, charged with the unlawful possession of a circular letter of credit on London, Paris, and American banks of the value of £5,000, besides two opals, and a quantity of other articles.

## FENCING BOUTS IN VOGUE AT WHITE HOUSE

The President and General Wood Full of Bruises as Result of Contests.

President Roosevelt and General Wood are wearing a number of picturesque bruises about their heads. Neither has been in a free-for-all "scrap," nor has either been attempting to defend the championship of the United States in the square circle. The wounds they bear were given and received in a number of exciting contests in the gymnasium of the White House.

Only the members of the President's household witnessed the encounters, and in spite of the bumps they landed on each other, the gladiators are just as warm friends as they were before the contests.

"Single sticks" were the weapons used, both eminent experts having taken up the exercise with their accustomed enthusiasm within the last two weeks. The

sticks are heavy cudgels of hard wood, and the strokes employed in the robust game are those used in broadsword play. The duellists are protected with leather helmets and padded arm guards.

In former days when single stick play was the vogue in the old country, the drawing of blood was the "point" by which the game was counted. The President and General Wood attempted to avoid shedding each other's gore, but once in a while when either receives an unusually hard knock about the head, a healthy bruise that is sometimes accompanied by a flow of claret is the result.

A story that the President had been wounded in a fencing contest, and had narrowly escaped losing an eye from a sword thrust, gained some currency today, but is denied at the White House.

## WASHINGTONIANS MAY INHERIT TEXAS MONEY

The District Commissioners have received from a correspondent in Houston, Tex., an inquiry concerning the relatives of certain persons who have died in that State leaving unsettled estates. The correspondent asks for information, if any can be had, of the relatives of these decedents living in Washington. The estates in question were owned by: Jacob Armstrong, Uriah Anderson, Henry Burt, T. T. Ballard, Joseph Cohn, Harvey Cox, Theodore Dorsett, John Dorsett, George B. Bailey, J. A. B. Rozelle, Peter F. Edwards, Virville Earl, Samuel L. Fuller, Tillman Fitzgerald, Harriet A. Fahs, Uriah Gibson, Charles Griffith, Isaac D. Hamilton, Alexander Horn, John Hammer, Clayton Harper, G. W. Harris, James Hanev, J. M. Hyde, Green B. Jamieson, John Johnson, Ma-

tilda Lehman, H. Webb, William Mann, F. G. Morris, William Martin, Philip Miller, M. M. Porter, H. E. Perkins, James Robson, Redding Robert, James Robinson, John A. Robb, William Roberts, Samuel Sawyer, Levi Stephens, Timothy Treadwell, William Winters, Robert A. West, Matthew G. White, Lucinda G. Wilburn, Robert Whitlock, and T. J. Williams.

The Commissioners' correspondent requests the Board to send him information of a list of persons who are supposed to be heirs of the estates named. The list is too long for publication, but may be seen in the office of the Secretary to the Board. It is stated that valuable property may be recovered to the heirs of these estates upon submitting proof of the necessary facts.

## PRETENDER ROUTS MOROCCAN TROOPS

Spain May Send Warship to Tangier.

MADRID, Dec. 29.—The "Heraldo" Tangier correspondent today confirms the reported repulse of the imperial Moroccan troops near Fez recently. He reports that 2,000 were killed or wounded.

The insurrection in behalf of the pretender, the correspondent says, is spreading.

The Moroccan situation has become most disturbing. The cabinet has decided to hold troops at Malaga, Cadiz, and Algeiras in order to readily reinforce the Ceuta militia and other Spanish ports. The cabinet is also considering the advisability of sending a warship to Tangier.

The Spanish ambassadors to England and France have been instructed to ascertain the policies of those countries regarding Morocco.

United States Consul Gummere, at Tangier, Morocco, reports by cable to the State Department that the Sultan's army has been completely routed by the pretender near Fez, and that great concern is felt by the representatives of foreign governments at Tangier for the Christians living in the interior.

Several American missionaries are stationed at Fez. No report of interference with them has reached Tangier.

### SECRETARY WILSON TELLS

### PRESIDENT OF QUARANTINE

Secretary Wilson had a conference with the President at the Executive offices this morning on the progress of the department's work to exterminate the foot-and-mouth disease among cattle in New England.

"There is a little dissatisfaction among the farmers up there, it seems, over the prices they are getting for the cattle confined and killed," said the Secretary. "Thirteen hundred animals have so far been put out of the way, because of being infected or so exposed that they would spread the disease."

"The department paid an average of \$25 a head for these animals—big and little, good and bad alike—because it was impossible to reach an absolutely exact price for each animal. This is what the owners objected to."

"Dr. Salmon, of the department, who is in charge of the matter, has informed me of the facts in the case, and we have determined that only two things are possible—either the present plan must continue or we will have to put a quarantine about Massachusetts. The people of the State will have to take their choice, for the disease must be stamped out."

### VICE CONSUL IMPROVED.

Vice Consul General H. T. Smith, at Cairo, who was reported ill and in a hospital December 20, is now said to be steadily improving, and the physicians hope he will not be forced to leave Egypt before the early summer.

### DIED.

HOLMES—On Sunday, December 28, 1902, at 6:30 a. m., MARIA HOLMES, beloved wife of David Holmes.

Funeral Wednesday, December 31, at 1 o'clock, from Bethlehem Church, Hillsdale and Nichols Avenues, Annapolis, D. C.

DESMOND—On Sunday, December 28, 1902, at 10:30 a. m., DENNIS DESMOND, aged thirty years.

Funeral from father's undertaking establishment, 1734 Pennsylvania Avenue, at 9 a. m., Requiem mass at St. Matthew's Church, at 9:30 a. m. Members of Catholic's Society please attend.

(New York and Boston papers please copy.)

## AGREE ON FATHER SAVIS FOR ARCHBISHOP OF MANILA

ROME, Dec. 29.—Monsignor Guidi, apostolic delegate to the Philippines, has informed the Vatican that he has agreed with Governor General Taft over the appointment of Father Savis as Archbishop of Manila.

### OCEAN STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Arrived: Belgravia, from Hamburg.

## ARMSTRONG SUCCEEDS SPAULDING AT TREASURY

Selected by Mr. Shaw as Assistant Secretary.

### YOUNG MAN FOR THE PLACE

Secretary Appreciates Worth and Believes He Will Make Capable Official.

Robert S. Armstrong, the private secretary of Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, has been chosen as the successor of Gen. O. L. Spaulding, assistant secretary of the Treasury. The name of the new assistant cabinet minister will be sent to the Senate shortly after Congress convenes. General Spaulding will become a special commissioner of the Treasury and will be given assignments in the customs service.

It has been known for some time that General Spaulding would retire. In fact he represented his resignation to the Secretary of the Treasury some time last summer, and he was notified that it would be accepted as soon as his successor could be found. This was not an easy matter. General Spaulding probably knows more about the customs service than any man in the country. The desk which he occupies in the Treasury is also the most important. He has not been in the best of health and he recognized that the work was too heavy. He will be given a position where the customs service can enjoy the benefit of his special abilities and at the same time rid him of the heavy routine of his present office. The change is a welcome one to him.

Since last July Mr. Shaw has been looking about for a suitable successor. A few days ago he looked over his desk and remarked:

"Bob, I reckon you will have to go on that Assistant Secretary's desk."

"It's a pretty big job for a youngster."

"Well, I did not suppose that you had had any experience as an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, but you will have to learn the same as the rest of us."

The matter of succession was settled after the President told the Secretary to do as he saw fit.

This action will retire the oldest Assistant Secretary in the departments, and will install the youngest. Mr. Armstrong is twenty-seven years of age. The Treasury will have "boy wonders" as a feature. Mr. Allen, another Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, is yet in the tender thirties. Mr. Armstrong was born in Iowa, but went to Chicago in 1889, where he began work on the "Record." In 1898 he went to New York as the Eastern correspondent of that paper. When Secretary Shaw was appointed Secretary of the Treasury he offered the post of private secretary to Mr. Armstrong, which was accepted, and he has been here ever since.

### SEVENTY-TWO POSTMASTERS.

Seventy-two fourth-class postmasters were named today by Fourth Assistant Postmaster Bristow, of whom sixty-one are to fill vacancies caused by resignation. Among those named are George W. Wells, at Brooklyn, Pennsylvania county, Va.; John S. Oliver, resigned; Charles Patterson, at Cherrydale, Alexandria county, Va.; George M. Holz, dead; and Mathias A. Keen, at Hanger, Buchanan county, Va.; Miles Ratliff, resigned. The nominations today composed the second largest list named in one day in the course of the year.

### SPECIAL NOTICES.

A MEETING of the stockholders of the Capital Traction Company for the election of directors will be held at the office of the company, Union Passenger Station, WASHINGTON, D. C., on WEDNESDAY, THE 14TH OF JANUARY, 1903.

The polls will be opened at 10 a. m. and closed at 12 m.

C. M. ROONES, Secretary.

OFFICE OF MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 602 B. & O. Bldg., Washington, D. C. 1902.—Policy holders are notified that the managers have ordered paid the members a return of savings according to the value of each policy at the close of 1901. Renewals for 1902 are payable to the company at the same time at the rate of 1 per centum on the premium notes, and policies must be presented that payments may be entered thereon. Policies expire on the last Monday in December (26th). Please attend early and avoid the crowd. L. PIERCE BOTTLE, Secretary.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—The undersigned, O. S. B., of North Carolina, a manufacturer of beverages, to wit, lager beer, ale, and stout, has been compelled to sell by law, in bottles, which said bottles have impressed thereon the name of said corporation or certain marks, or name, together with certain marks, now filed with the clerk of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia and caused to be published, as provided by section 87 of the code of law for said District, a description of said bottles, name, and marks, which description is as follows: The said bottles are of glass, some of greenish color, others of bluish, others of brownish, and others of amber color, and others white and colored, and each of said bottles having, or appearing to have, a capacity of one pint. The names and marks impressed upon some of said bottles are:

"Arlington Brewing Co., Roanoke, Va.," upon others, "Consumers' Brewing Co., Roanoke, Va.," upon others, "Consumers' Roanoke, Va.," and also upon some of said bottles the words, "This bottle is registered, and to be sold," and also upon some of said bottles the letters "C. B. Co.," and also upon some of said bottles other words or letters or marks or letters.

All persons are hereby cautioned against selling, buying, or trafficking in, any such bottles, without the consent of said corporation; otherwise they will be prosecuted according to law.

In testimony whereof, the said corporation has caused this present to be subscribed by its president and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its secretary, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1902.

ARLINGTON BREWING CO.

By JAS. R. HARRISON, President.

Attest: ABE KINO, Secretary.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the Joint Managers' Association will be held MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, AT 8 P. M., Business of importance. By order of E. J. McCONAGHAN, President.

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